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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.

 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.

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Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant wishes to point out that the application transmittal letter filed on July 10, 2001 which accompanied the present application includes a typographical error.

Specifically, the filing date of the prior Netherlands application No. 1007566 should read: November 18, 199 $\overline{2}$, as correctly stated in the 37 C.F.R.§1.76 Application Data Sheet filed on that day, and as correctly noted on the accompanying declaration.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated August 7, 2001, we enclose herewith the executed declaration which was omitted at the time of filing the above-captioned application, which was filed on July 10, 2001 in the name of Johan STAAL.

Please charge the surcharge of \$65 to Deposit Account No. 25-0120. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for this purpose.

Enclosed please find a paper correcting a typographical error on the transmittal letter.

Also enclosed is a copy of the application data sheet.

Respectfully submitted,

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